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Report Highlights:

Romania has fully adopted the EU sanitary and veterinary regime as of January 1, 2007, date of EU accession. This report covers only health certificates and other legal requirements, which are different from EU-27 FAIRS Export Certificate (E47088). The following sections have been updated: IV. Government Certificate's Legal Entry Requirements and V. Other Certification/Accreditation Requirements. The report includes a copy of the health certificate for fishery products that covers also Alligator meat exports (Appendix I). This certificate is not new; it is meant to state the current requirements for alligator meat imports, which differ from other EU Member states.

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Section I. Export Certificates Required by Government

As of January 1, 2007 Romania transposed into the national legislation the entire set of sanitary-veterinary requirements as approved by the European Union. Currently, all export certificates are fully consistent with the ones required by EU. The only difference consists of compulsory Romanian translation, which makes them bi-lingual (English-Romanian). Nevertheless, import requirements for several products of animal origin remain non-harmonized. The import procedure for third-country origin is described in this report.

The import requirements and the models of health certificates for third-country origin products can be read in the [EU-27 FAIRS Export Certificate report E47088](#). National legislation is harmonized with the EU, but there are two categories of products that have additional national import requirements beside the aligned certificates: bovine semen and alligator meat. The supplementary conditions will follow in Section V of this report. The National Sanitary-Veterinary and Food Safety Authority (ANZVSA) is the competent authority for providing the specific import conditions on non-harmonized products.

Section II. Purpose of Specific Export Certificate(s)

See Section II from [EU-27 FAIRS Export Certificate report E47088](#)

Section III. Specific Attestation Required on Export Certificate(s)

See Section III from [EU-27 FAIRS Export Certificate report E47088](#)

Section IV. Government Certificate's Legal Entry Requirements

The process of legislation transposition has been gradually continuing in 2007. All related regulations are being or have been amended to incorporate the corresponding EU provisions.

Animal-origin products

Romania imposed trade restrictions for poultry and swine meat of U.S. origin several months prior to its accession to European Union, by introducing the EU health certificates. As a result of this measure, only pork, beef and poultry meat originating from EU approved establishments are allowed for import into Romania. This diminished and ultimately eliminated an important market for U.S. products. Detailed information on veterinary requirements for imports of animal origin products, including a list of U.S. establishments approved for EU exports, can be viewed by accessing the website of the U.S. Mission to European Union (<http://useu.usmission.gov/agri/>).

The sanitary veterinary procedure for import, export, and transit of live animals, products and by-products of animal origin, feed and products of veterinary use is stipulated in Order 138/2005 issued by the ANZVSA, followed by Order 13/2006. [GAIN Report 6001](#) and [GAIN Report 6016](#) included a description of this procedure.

Non-animal origin products

Import and export conditions for non-animal origin products have been provided by ANZVSA through Order 159/2006. As per provisions of this regulation, detailed information about the shipment must be provided with 24 hours before arrival at the border and the original documents has to be delivered with the shipment. After providing the results for relevant and compulsory laboratory tests (contaminants, pesticide residues, etc.) the authorities will allow

placement on the market of the imported goods. For details about import requirements for seeds originating from third countries please see <http://useu.usmission.gov/agri/>.

As stated in the beginning of the report, the Romanian import requirements have been fully harmonized to reflect the EU provisions. For further details on EU health certificates and import requirements you can read [E47056](#).

Section V. Other Certification/Accreditation Requirements

Alligator Meat

According to the Veterinary and Food Safety Authority, import of alligator meat from third countries is subject to requirements provided by [EC Decision 97/78/CEE](#) laying down the principles governing the organization of veterinary checks on products entering the Community from third countries. The products origin must be from establishments authorized to export to the EU by the authority of the third country, complying with [EC Regulations 852/2004](#) and [853/2004](#) laying down specific hygiene rules for food of animal origin.

The alligator meat shipment has to be accompanied by a Health Certificate as shown in Appendix I. This certificate is not new; it is meant to state the current requirements for alligator meat imports, which differ from other EU Member states. In addition, the official veterinarian responsible for the exporting plant has to provide a declaration containing the following statements:

- alligator meat has been examined according to provisions of article 13 of [EC Regulation 2075/2005](#) setting up the specific rules for official control of trichinae in meat;
- alligator meat complies with the requirements laid down in art. 14, paragraphs 1 and 2 of [EC Regulation 2075/2005](#) setting up the specific rules for official control of trichinae in meat.

Bovine frozen semen

In addition to the Health Certificate for import of bovine frozen semen, ANZVSA issued sanitary and quality requirements that products have to comply with. This means that upon importation, the importer has to provide samples that are subject to additional tests performed by the Animal Health and Diagnosis Institute.

According to the Sanitary Veterinary Norm, the bovine semen should comply with the following sanitary or quality requirements after thawing:

1. As a result of the bacteriological tests done by an authorized veterinary laboratory, the frozen semen in vials should be free from specific pathogen germs: *Brucella* sp., *Listeria monocytogenes*, *Leptospira interrogans*, *Actinomyces pyogenes*, *Campylobacter foetusvenerealis*, *Mycobacterium tuberculosis*, *Staphylococcus aureus*, *Streptococcus* (groups Lancefield A and D), *Escherichia coli*, *Pseudomonas aeruginosa*, *Bacillus* sp., *Corynebacterium* sp., *Salmonella* sp., *Serratia marcescens*, *Nocardia asteroides*, *Chlamydia psittaci*, *Mycoplasma bovis*, *Fusobacterium nucleatum* and other anaerobic germs;
2. As a result of the quantitative bacteriological tests done by an authorized veterinary laboratory, the total number of germs should not exceed 5×10^3 /ml;
3. As a result of the virusology, mycology or parasitology tests done by an authorized veterinary laboratory, the frozen semen should be free from the viruses IBR-IPV, BVD-

MD, fungus from the genus *Candida* sp., *Aspergillus* sp., *Rhizopus* sp., *Mucor* sp., *Absidia* sp. and the protozoa *Trichomonas bovis*, *Toxoplasma gondi* *Neospora* sp.;

4. After thawing, the bull semen should present:
 - a) minimum 30% mobility (spermatozoa with forward physiological movements);
 - b) a concentration of minimum 7.5 million useful spermatozoa per dose;
 - c) spermatozoa with a normal morphology: over 70% of total spermatozoa number.

APPENDIX I. Electronic copy of fishery products export certificate

**CERTIFICAT DE SANATATE
PENTRU PRODUSELE DIN PESCUIT DIN U.S.A.
DESTINATE EXPORTULUI IN ROMANIA**

**HEALTH CERTIFICATE
FOR FISHERY PRODUCTS FROM U.S.A.
INTENDED FOR EXPORT INTO ROMANIA**

Numar de referinta /Reference No.

Tara care expediaza /Country of dispatch: UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
 Autoritatea competenta⁽¹⁾ / Competent authority⁽¹⁾: Food and Drug Administration (FDA), or
 National Marine Fisheries Service – National Oceanic & Atmospheric Administration (NMFS-
 NOAA).....

**I. IDENTIFICAREA PRODUSELOR DIN PESCUIT
DETAILS IDENTIFYING THE FISHERY PRODUCTS**

Descrierea produselor din pescuit ⁽¹⁾/Description of fishery/aquaculture⁽¹⁾ products:.....

Specia(iile) (denumirea stiintifica) / Species (scientific name):.....

Starea sau modul de tratare ⁽²⁾/ Presentation of product and type of treatment ⁽²⁾:.....

Numarul lotului (daca este cazul) /Code number (where available):.....

Tipul de ambalaj / Type of packaging:.....

Numarul ambalajelor/Number of packages:

Greutatea neta / Net weight

Temperatura ceruta in timpul pastrarii si transportului /

Requisite storage and transport temperature:.....

**II. ORIGINEA PRODUSELOR
ORIGIN OF PRODUCTS**

Numele si numarul(ele) de aprobare pentru export in U.E. a obiectivului(lor) aprobate sau inregistrate
 de catre FDA sau NMFS_NOOA ⁽¹⁾ / Name(s) and official number(s) of premise(s) approved or
 registered by FDA NMFS-NOOA ⁽¹⁾ for export to the E.C:.....

**III. DESTINATIA PESTELUI SAU A PRODUSELOR DIN PESCUIT
DESTINATION OF FISH OR FISHERY PRODUCTS**

Produsele sunt expediate de la/ The products are to be dispatched from:

.....
 (locul de expeditie / place of dispatch)

La/ To:.....
 (tara si locul de destinatie / country and place of destination)

Cu urmatorul mijloc de transport/ by the following means of transport:.....

Numele si adresa expeditorului / Name and address of dispatcher:.....

Numele si adresa locului de destinatie /Name of consignee and address at place of
 destination:.....

(1) A se taia daca nu este cazul/Delete as appropriate

(2) Vii, refrigerate, inghetate, sarate, afumate, conserve /Live, refrigerated, frozen, salted, smoked, preserved

IV. ATESTARE DE SANATATE HEALTH ATTESTATION

Subsemnatul, inspector oficial certific ca produsele din pescuit descrise mai sus /
The official inspector hereby certifies that the fishery products specified above:

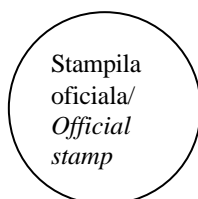
1. Au fost capturate si manipulate la bordul vaselor de pescuit si au fost debarcate si cand este cazul preparate, procesate, congelate, decongelate, impachetate, marcate, depozitate si transportate cu respectarea standardelor de igiena si sanatate publica prevazute in Codul Regulamentului Federal al U.S.A., care au fost recunoscute ca fiind echivalente standardelor Uniunii Europene stabilite in Decizia Comisiei nr. 98/258/CEE/*Were caught and handled on board vessels and were landed, handled and where appropriate prepared, processed, frozen, thawed, packaged, marked, stored and transported hygienically and in compliance with the relevant United States public health standards requirements of the Code of Federal Regulation which have been recognized for this purpose as equivalent to the European Community standards as prescribed in Council Decision 98/258/EC;*

2. Au fost supuse controalelor organoleptice, parazitologice, chimice si microbiologice cu rezultate satisfatoare pentru fiecare categorie de produse din pescuit in conformitate cu standardele de igiena si sanatate publica prevazute in Codul Regulamentului Federal al U.S.A., care au fost recunoscute ca fiind echivalente standardelor Uniunii Europene stabilite in Decizia Comisiei nr. 98/258/CEE/*Have satisfactorily undergone health controls and organoleptic, parasitological, chemical and microbiological checks laid down for certain categories of fishery in compliance with the relevant United States public health standards requirements of the Code of Federal Regulation which have been recognized for this purpose as equivalent to the European Community standards as prescribed in Council Decision 98/258/EC;*

3. Nu provin de la specii toxice sau specii care contin biotoxine/*Do not come from toxic species or species containing biotoxins;*

4. Suplimentar , in cazul molustelor bivalve congelate sau procesate, acestea au fost colectate din zone supuse conditiilor cel putin echivalente celor descrise in Directiva Consiliului 91/492/EEC din 15 iulie 1991 care stabileste conditiile de sanatate pentru producerea si plasarea pe piata a molustelor bivalve vii/*In addition, in the case of frozen or processed bivalve molluscs, the latter have been gathered in production areas subject to conditions at least equivalent to those laid down in Council Directive 91/492/EEC of 15 July 1991 laying down the health conditions for the production and placing on the market of live bivalve molluscs.*

Intocmit in / Done at....., la / on
 (locul / place) (date / data)



Semnatura si numele cu majuscule ale inspectorului oficial⁽¹⁾/
Signature and name in capital letters of official inspector⁽¹⁾

(1) Culoarea stampilei si semnaturii trebuie sa fie diferita fata de celelalte inscriurii/*The color of the stamp and signature must be different from that of the other particulars in the certificate*

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